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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL BIO ON NEW VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY

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1. THE FOLLOWING IS ADDITIONAL BIO ON LUIS LA CORTE,
NEWLY DESIGNATED VENEZUELAN AMBASSADOR TO ITALY.

2. LA CORTE WAS BORN IN VALERA, TRUJILLO STATE, VENEZUELA,
ON UGUST 18, 1981. HE COMPLETED HIS UNDERGRADUATE
STUDIES IN LAW AND POLITICAL SCIENCE AT THE CENTRAL
UNIVERSITY IN CARACAS, AND A GRADUATE DEGREE IN POLITICAL
SCIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE ANDES. HE BEGAN HIS
PROFESSIONAL CAREER AS A LAWYER AND HAS LONG BEEN ACTIVE IN
POLITICS AS A MEMBER OF THE DEMOCRATIC ACTION PARTY. DURING
THE 1950'S LA CORTE WAS JAILED FOR A PERIOD FOR HIS
OPPOSITION TO THE PEREZ JIMENEZ REGIME, AND LATER EXILED,
LIVING SUBSEQUENTLY IN ECUADOR AND COLOMBIA UNTIL JIMENEZ WAS
OUTSTED IN 1958. IN ADDITION TO SERVING IN THE NATIONAL CONGRESS AS
A DEPUTY FROM TRUJILLO STATE, LA CORTE SERVED -1974-77 AS PRESIDENT
OF THE NATIONAL AGRARIAN INSTITUTE (IAN), THE AGENCY
RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTING VENEZUELA'S AGRARIAN REFORM
LAW. AFTER THREE YEARS WITH IAN, LA CORTE WAS APPOINTED AS
VENEZUELA'S PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE FAO IN ROME, IN
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MAY OF 1977. LA CORTE HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVE AND IS WELL KNOWN
IN INTERPARLIAMENTARY UNION AFFAIRS (SERVING AS VICE PRESIDENT
OF THE LATIN AMERICAN PARLIAMENT WHEN IT WAS HELD IN CARACAS
IN 1971).

3. LA CORTE IS MARRIED TO TERESITA DUBAC DE LA CORTE.
THEY HAVE FIVE CHILDREN, LA CORTE'S ENGLISH IS FAIR, BUT HE

PREFERS TO USE HIS NATIVE SPANISH. IN HIS PREVIOUS
CONTACT WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS, HE HAS BEEN FRIENDLY AND OPEN.
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